



# LARC



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## President's Message

### "Contribution"

With the month of July upon us, Field Day 2015 is in the log books of the AARA. I wish to thank Ric Wallace KF5KEL for serving as AARA Field Day chair, along with Larry LeBlanc KE5KJD, and Tom Dischler W5OHJ as co-chairs. Their combined efforts, along with fellow club members, and some help from above, made Field Day 2015 enjoyable and yes, memorable. At any point during the event, all participants were WET, either with perspiration or precipitation, very much like EVERY day during the summer in Louisiana. In fine AARA fashion, everyone was looking to assist to complete tasks so all would benefit, discuss and explain the event to unknowing onlookers, and of course, enjoy good bands, great food, and some of our beautiful Louisiana weather. If this was your first AARA Field Day experience, mark you calendar for next June, it won't be your last.

July also brings a very important holiday. Independence Day marks the moment in American history when American colonists were no longer subjects of foreign tyranny. We observe this holiday in typical fashion with family, friends and food, in a leisurely setting. I would ask that you also observe the effort of those that declared Independence, and those that have maintained the ideal and context of that Declaration since its inception, most of which was, and is, not done leisurely.

Mark  
W5GTI  
AARA President

Photo of Mark's  
W5GTI Field Day  
setup with fallen  
Oak tree in  
background.



## AARA General Meeting

Thursday July 2, 2015 7:00 PM at the Red Cross Building, 101 N. Pat St., Scott, LA. - Field Day discussion.

VE Testing at 6:00 PM



## Be ON Your Guard!

Federal authorities have warned local law enforcement officials across the country about a heightened concern involving possible terror attacks targeting the July 4th holiday, a U.S. law enforcement official said.

While there was no specific or credible threat of attack, the official said the intelligence bulletin prepared by the Department of Homeland Security and the FBI alerted local colleagues to the ongoing threats posed by the Islamic State and other homegrown extremists. The official was not authorized to comment publicly.

The bulletins are frequently issued in advance of major U.S. holidays out of an abundance of caution and concern that operatives may exploit the timing to generate greater attention.

The warning comes as federal investigators have worked to disrupt a number of Islamic State-inspired plots, including a planned assault earlier this month on police officers in Boston. In that case, authorities fatally shot Usaamah Rahim as he allegedly planned to attack police with military-style knives.

Also this month, a New York suspect in a Islamic State-related terror investigation was arrested after attacking an FBI agent with a kitchen knife during a search of his home.

Fareed Mumuni, 21, was charged with attempted murder, after he emerged as a suspect in alleged plots to use pressure-cooker explosives and knives to attack police.

In a statement Friday following attacks in Tunisia, France and Kuwait, DHS Secretary Jeh Johnson said local law enforcement was being encouraged to be "vigilant and prepared" in preparation for July 4th celebrations.

"We will also adjust security measures, seen and unseen, as necessary to protect the American people," Johnson said. "We continue to encourage all Americans to attend public events and celebrate this country during this summer season, but always remain vigilant."

The secretary also referred to last week's the deadly Charleston church shooting, saying that such "acts of mass violence will never divert, discourage or frighten us."

"The alleged killer sought to divide us," Johnson said. "Instead, his actions appear to have had the opposite effect in South Carolina, where people of different races have come together to denounce the tragedy and mourn those killed."

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### GENERAL MEETING

July 2, 2015 @ 7:00 PM

Red Cross Building

101 N. Pat St. Scott, LA

**VE Testing Tonight @ 6:00 PM**

### AREA HAMFESTS

Slidell EOC Hamfest

July 18, 2015

### Local 2-Meter Nets

**Sunday**

Opelousas Area ARA Net 7:00 PM

147.150 PL 103.5 Carencro, LA

**Monday**

AARA Monday Night Net 7:00 PM

146.820 - PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA

**Tuesday**

Acadiana ARES Net 7:00 PM

145.370 - PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA

**Wednesday**

Bodie's Memorial DX Net

145.410 New Iberia, LA

**Thursday**

Youth Net 7:00 PM

146.820 - PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA

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## AARA Field Day Report

(Photos and article by Herman Campbell KN5GRK)

First of all, the AARA would like to thank the city of Lafayette, Louisiana for the use of the Horse Farm Park to hold our 2015 Field Day activity. This is our first time using this new facility which is a great place, plenty of room, no power lines, electrical hookups for RV's and "Port-O-Lets".

A few things I noticed were, some large oak trees had fallen and made like a jungle gym with a rope swing for the kids to keep them occupied along with jogging trails for joggers and for bike riders. A farmers market was also located in the park which attracted some of their attendance to come and check out our Field Day activities.

Bad weather on Saturday afternoon let loose around 5:45 PM with heavy rain, light hail, lightning and gusty wind. All stations had to shut down and were covered with tarps. I left the area when weather subdued somewhat and went home. WX continued off & on all thru the night and morning. I returned around 9:00 AM Sunday and found the takedown crews were securing their equipment. Jackie KF5PCH was running around trying to dry out equipment and tables with a couple of bath towels.



Two of our youngest operators at this Field Day are (left) Samuel KG5AYI making his first HF contact as a General and (right) Jolie LeBlanc - no license, but a good chance it may happen in the future (Grand Niece to Sandy KE5KJF & Larry KE5KJD LeBlanc). She is working 10 meters on the GOTA station under the supervision of Jess KF5LUL.



ARRL Handout Table



Tom Dischler W5OHJ at his station



Ric Wallace KF5KEL at his station



Glen Thibodeaux KF5FNP at his station



## JUNE AARA CLUB MEETING MINUTES

### June 4, 2015

Mark Saltzman, W5GTI, opened the meeting. Herman Campbell, KN5GRK, led the prayer and all said the Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions were done with everyone stating their name and call sign and said what they had done radio related during the past month. Mark mentioned that emailing of business through the club members has worked well over the past month and will continue.

Sandy Leblanc, KE5KJF, made a motion to accept the May 7<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting minutes. Ric Wallace, KF5KEL, seconded and all approved.

Jackie Wallace, KF5PCH, made a motion to accept the May Board Meeting minutes. Tom Dischler, W5OHJ, seconded and all approved.

Archie Hill, W5AG, presented the Treasurer's report. Galen Wilson, KF5BET made a motion to approve and Sandy, seconded and all approved.

#### Old Business:

Mark discussed the potential SKY-WARN classes and what evening would be best for attendance. Thursday was agreed to, and Mark mentioned there are currently 20 names on the list for the class, but anyone is welcome to attend. Please contact Mark, if you would like to attend. Mark will keep everyone updated on the time and date.

Mark stated he and Glen Thibodeaux, KF5FNP, have worked on the club inventory list and have forwarded the list to Abbi Wilson, KF5BEW. Abbi will be in charge of updating and maintaining a current inventory of the club assets. When a piece of equipment is borrowed by a club member, that member is to notify Abbi so inventory can be accounted for at any time. Herman, will email the club an inventory list to the members.

Herman asked that all new members email be forwarded to him so he can add their addresses to his email reflector. Herman would also like to know who the new members of the club are so they can be recognized in the newsletter.

Prior to the Hamfest, the club agreed to take over control and maintenance of the Lydia repeater.

The board members voted via email to put forth the funds (as authorized) to make repairs to the antenna system while a climber was inspecting the tower. The climber replaced the antenna which was damaged with a new antenna donated by Dr. Azar. Thank you Dr. Azar for the antenna! This will make the third repeater that the club owns and operates. Mark mentioned that this repeater will now be put into the rotation for the Monday night nets.

QSL and Logo design is still ongoing. If you have your design, please submit it to Mark through email. The club certificate will be finalized once the QSL card and Logo is decided on.

#### New Business:

Tom Dischler presented the budget for the upcoming year. The club used the previous 4 years budget to come up with a budget that reflects a more accurate cost of each item. The budget was presented and Bob Cooley, K5IVR, motioned for acceptance and Jackie Wallace seconded. All approved. The budget runs from June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016.

Membership process was discussed. New members are to give application and fees to Archie who will deposit the funds and then forward the information to Abbi who will update the roster and forward the information to Roland Guidry, NA5Q, who will post the members current information on the club roster located on the website.

If there are any changes to the roster by members that do not require monies, they should forward the needed changes to Abbi who will update the roster and then inform Roland who will update the website.

Roland stated the website is still having issues with outdated software which will no longer be supported by the Web Server. Work is still ongoing on how to update the website with as little disruption as possible.

Glen stated there is still some work to do at the Red Cross building. The roof still needs to be patched, ceiling tiles still need to be installed, bulbs need to be replaced, landscaping work at front and at back tree line.

After some discussion, it was decided to have another workday this coming Saturday, June 6, 2015. There was also discussion

The club owns a beta version of the Yaesu Fusion repeater donated by Fred Marshall, W5MLE. Discussion about upgrading this repeater to a new repeater was discussed and approved by the club. The upgrade will allow the repeater to be fully functional with new firmware and other features. This repeater will give the club the availability of putting a 70cm repeater on the air. A motion to upgrade the repeater was presented by Roland Guidry and seconded by Priscilla Cooley, KG5GKJ. Motion was approved.

Ric Wallace gave a report on Field Day. The location will be the Horse Farm located off of Johnston Street. The location will have plenty of room for RV's, antennas, and large tents. It was decided to run a 4A station this year to allow more people to operate. More information will be given, once details have been finalized. Larry Leblanc, KE5KJD, gave a presentation on the NF3JP software that will be used to log contacts at Field Day.

Galen Wilson, KF5BET, made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Tom Dischler, W5OHJ, seconded and all approved.

There were 20 members and 2 visitors present.

Submitted by:

Abbi Wilson KF5BEW  
AARA Secretary





# Shreveport-Bossier Hamfest

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**NEW LOCATION: LOUISIANA STATE FAIR AGRICULTURE BUILDING**  
**3206 PERSHING AVENUE - SHREVEPORT, LA 71109**


**WHEN: SATURDAY AUGUST 8TH, 2015**  
**8:00AM - 3:00PM**

**ADMISSION: ADULTS • \$5.00**  
**CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER • FREE**

**CONTACT: BOB DAVIS • 318-230-1242**  
**EMAIL: HAMFEST@K5SAR.COM**

**DUAL BAND HAND HELD GIVEN AWAY EVERY HALF HOUR**

**NEW LOCATION - Louisiana State Fair Agriculture Building**  
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 The Sign Man of Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
 Palmetto Antennas, LLC, Ruston, Louisiana  
 Expert Linears America, LLC, Magnolia, Texas  
 RT Systems, Broomfield, CO  
 J & S Electronics, Shreveport, Louisiana  
 MCM Computers, Livingston, Louisiana  
 Sam Adams, Satellite Sam, Lynchburg, VA  
 Be Ready Solar, LLC, Petal, MS  
 Tri-State Battery Supply, Inc., Shreveport, LA  
 Amsat, Shreveport, LA  
 Ten Ten International, Shreveport, LA

## First Prize



Yaesu FT-991

## Second Prize



Kenwood TS-480SAT



## Slidell EOC Hamfest July 18, 2015

Sponsored by The Ozone Amateur Radio Club

**Time:** 8 AM to 2 PM

**Place:** John Slidell Park Gymnasium, 105 Robert Blvd., Slidell, LA

**Admission:** \$7.00 per person. Scouts in uniform admitted free.

Tables: \$10.00 each.

**Talk-in:** 147.270 / PL 114.8

**Commercial Dealers - Flea Market - Forums - Raffles - Food & Drinks - VE Testing (VE Testing will be off site at Latter Day Saints Building, 480 Robert Blvd @ 9:00 AM).**

### Grand Prize Drawing - 2 PM

To reserve your table, please mail the form found on the .PDF flyer on the website with a check or money order payable to: Ozone Amateur Radio Club

Mail to:

Slidell Hamfest

c/o Ozone ARC

P.O. Box 553

Slidell, LA. 70459

Those wishing to confirm their table reservation may contact the Flea Market Chairman:

Paul (WB9SUG) at (985) 373-8093, or enclose a SASE with your registration and confirmation will be mailed, or contact the club at: hamfest@w5sla.net

For more information and flyer check out the website at:

## VE Test Session June 4, 2015

Robert J. Carter of Lafayette Louisiana passed his Technician license test and received the call: KG5HYK.

VE's: Greg K5LFT, Roland NA5Q, Galen KF5BET, Ric KF5KEL, Mark W5GTI, and



*Capt. Craig Stansbury, left, and Capt. John Babin*

of the Lafayette Parish Communication District Commission.

Stansbury, who's leaving the Sheriff's Office after 31 years of service, will begin shadowing Vincent on Monday, Benoit said.

Stansbury was hired in December after Vincent announced his retirement last summer, Benoit said.

Effective Saturday, Metro Narcotics Commander Capt. John Babin will replace Stansbury in the role that oversees evidence, civil service processes and public information, the Sheriff's Office announced in a Friday news release. Babin also will assist the chief criminal deputy with executive-level oversight of the enforcement division.

The Sheriff's Office has not confirmed who will replace Babin to oversee the metro narcotics division.

Stansbury had worked as enforcement division director since 2000, except for a three-year stint as patrol commander from 2011-13.

Babin, who's approaching his 31st year with the Sheriff's Office, was commander of metro narcotics for 12 years.

The Lafayette Parish Communication District includes representatives from local police, governmental and emergency medical agencies. It oversees 911 operations and the Lafayette City-Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, and it mobilizes in emergency situations such as floods, ice storms and hurricanes.

Follow Lanie Lee Cook on Twitter, @lanieleecook, or contact her by phone at (337) 534-0825.

## New Lafayette Parish EOC Director

Story by Lanie Lee Cook - The Advocate

Lafayette Parish's emergency command, which oversees the local 911 system and emergency and homeland security operations, will undergo a leadership change for the first time in three decades after its director retires in March.

Vincent, who's served as director since the parish 911 system was created in 1979, will retire March 1, said Lafayette Fire Chief Robert Benoit, chairman

## Two Lafayette Hams Become Silent Keys



Nick Romero, KE5MWX became a Silent Key on Monday, June 15, 2015.

Nick was a longtime member of the Acadiana Amateur Radio Association, Inc. (AARA). He was a board member for numerous years and was involved in many of the club activities such as Field Day, Hamfest, and many of our Special Event stations. He was also very active on many of the HF nets and 2 m nets.

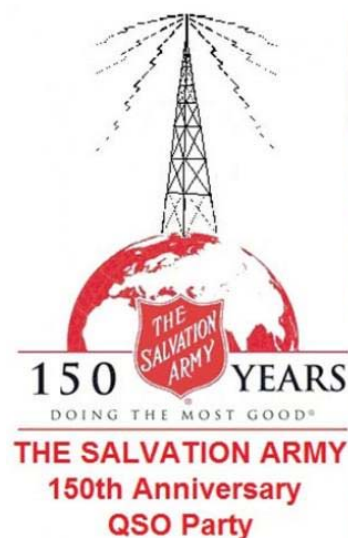
Please keep Nick in your prayers along with his XYL Paula KF5CNU and family members and friends. I know we as members of the AARA will miss him very much. He was a great ham radio operator and dedicated to his hobby. Nick was considered to be a family member. It is a great loss to our family.



Philip (Phil) Caubareaux KB5EKD became a Silent Key on Saturday, June 20, 2015

Philip was active in his community and belonged to the ARRL, American Radio Relay League. At one time he was AARA Field Day Chairman. His call sign was KB5EKD.

Philip's creative spirit led him to invent a power supply in an empty paint can, entitled "CAN-DO", which was published in the QST Magazine. He was self-taught and loved tinkering and building wood and metal work, such as desks, bed frames, play houses and even a radio made out of an empty peanut butter jar. Philip invented processing equipment for Borden's. Most of all, Philip loved spending time with his family and friends. Keep Phil, family and friends in your prayers.



## SATERN QSO Party To Celebrate 150th Anniversary of The Salvation Army

SATERN will celebrate the 150th Anniversary of The Salvation Army with a **Salvation Army 150th Anniversary QSO Party** Wednesday, July 1 through Sunday, July 5, 2015. The announcement was made by Southern Territory SATERN Coordinator Bill Feist, WB8BZH, during the annual SATERN Forum at the Dayton Hamvention on Friday, May 15.

All amateur radio operators are invited to participate by listening for SATERN stations calling "**CQ CQ CQ The Salvation Army 150th QSO Party**". Those who make contact with a SATERN station from July 1-5 are eligible for a special event QSL card from the participating SATERN station.

SATERN operators interested in participating in **The Salvation Army 150th Anniversary QSO Party** can access the QSO Party Rules, the downloadable special event QSL card and other resources by opening their personal profile on the national EDS website at **disaster.salvationarmyusa.org**. SATERN operators without a personal profile can create one by clicking on the **JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM** button in the upper right-hand corner of the national EDS website. After creating a personal profile, they can then click on the SATERN link under My Settings on the left-hand side of their profile. SATERN operators creating their profile should be sure to check the box for "Emergency Disaster Services" in the first dialog box and on "SATERN Member?" when asked.

Herman Campbell KN5GRK, SATERN liaison for the Lafayette Salvation Army would like to ask club members for volunteers to set up and man a special event station using the call K5LSA. We would probably operate only one day and that day would probably be Saturday, July 4, 2015 from 8 AM to 8 PM. If you would like to take part in this event, please contact Herman and let him know.

Herman Campbell kn5grk@lusfiber.net 337-234-5364



The AARA would like to thank the Salvation Army for the use of their copy machine to produce our LARC club newsletter.

## THANKS MFJ

The Acadian Amateur Radio Association, Inc (AARA) now has a tripod for our 30 ft telescoping fiberglass mast. Thanks to the hard work of our members at the last hamfest MFJ donated one to the club. I have it in my possession and will have it available for Field Day.

<http://www.mfjenterprises.com/Product.php?productid=MFJ-1921>



HAVE A SAFE & FUN 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY AND





## APRIL 2015 ACADIANA AREA 2 METER NET REPORTS

| NET   | SESSIONS:                   | TOTAL CHECK-INS: | TOTAL TRAFFIC: | TOTAL TIME: Minutes | Net Manager                  |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| AARA Monday Night Net                         | 4                           | 60               | Ø              | 159                 | W5GTI Mark                   |
| OAARC Net - Opelousas Area Amateur Radio Club | Net Control Operator Needed |                  |                |                     |                              |
| Acadiana ARES Net                             | 5                           | 38               | 2              | 5                   | N5LRZ Ray                    |
| Bodie's Memorial DX Net                       | 4                           | 19               | Ø              | 29                  | N5LRZ Ray                    |
| Youth Thursday Night Net                      | 4                           | 53               | Ø              | Ø                   | KF5BEW Abbi<br>KF5FYS Kendra |

Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom, must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it.  
~Thomas Paine

## AARA Monday Night 2 Meter Net Rotation

Mark W5GTI, the net control station, for the AARA Monday Night Net had suggested that the net be rotated between three different area repeaters. Here is the July 2015 schedule:

| DATE:   | TIME:   | REPEATER:       | PL TONE: |
|---------|---------|-----------------|----------|
| July 6  | 7:00 PM | 145.410 W5DDL/R | NONE     |
| July 13 | 7:00 PM | 145.370 KF5VH   | 103.5    |
| July 20 | 7:00 PM | 147.040 W5EXI   | 103.5    |
| July 27 | 7:00 PM | 146.820 W5DDL   | 103.5    |

When using the SkyWarn 145.370 repeater, be sure to use the receiver PL Tone for your area in Lafayette Parish as follows:

NW Quadrant 114.8 - NE Quadrant 127.3 - SW Quadrant 141.3 - SE Quadrant 94.8.

The July 2015 schedule can be downloaded and printed in Adobe Acrobat .PDF from the club website at:

[http://www.w5ddl.org/clubsite/files/monday\\_net.pdf](http://www.w5ddl.org/clubsite/files/monday_net.pdf)

**Notice:** Mark W5GTI announced again that he would continue the AARA Monday Night Net contest for 2015.

The top 10 check-ins on the Monday Night AAARA Net during 2015 will get their call/name entered into a drawing and a winner from the top 10 check-ins will receive a Chinese import dual band handi-talkie paid for by Mark W5GTI. **HOW ABOUT THAT?** So be sure to check into the net and thanks to Mark in keeping the net active.

## AARA



## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

|      |        |         |
|------|--------|---------|
| 7/1  | K5UA   | CHARLES |
| 7/2  | WA5KNC | EUGENE  |
| 7/18 | JOY    | N5YCS   |
| 7/19 | STEVE  | AI5O    |
| 7/22 | RALPH  | WB5GAF  |
| 7/22 | RICK   | N5RLM   |
| 7/22 | PAT    | W5WMU   |
| 7/23 | KRIS   | KD5QYV  |
| 7/27 | CALVIN | KD5JCT  |
| 8/5  | ROY    | NG5X    |
| 8/9  | GLEN   | KF5FNP  |

Some members failed to put their birthdays on their applications for renewal / membership causing some names to be missing from the list.

## FCC Eliminating Vanity Call Sign Fee

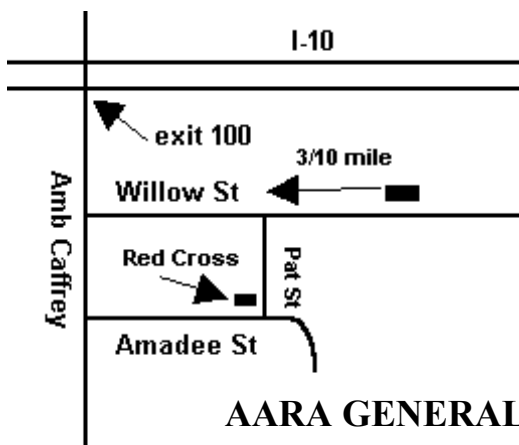
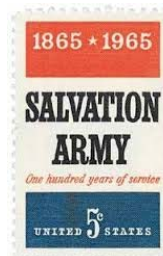


The FCC is dropping the regulatory fee to apply for an Amateur Radio vanity call sign. The change will not go into effect, however, until required congressional notice has been given. This will take at least 90 days. As the Commission explained in a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Report and Order, and Order (MD Docket 14-92 and others: [http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily\\_Releases/Daily\\_Business/2015/db0521/FCC-15-59A1.pdf](http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2015/db0521/FCC-15-59A1.pdf)), released May 21, it's a matter of simple economics.

I wonder if his will include eliminating renewal fees for vanity call signs?

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**VE Testing Tonight @ 6:00 PM**

**Lunch Bunch - Each Wednesday 10:45 AM - 2:00 PM**

Golden Corral - Amb. Caffery - Lafayette, LA

Check 146.820 PL 103.5 - repeater for info.

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## Shrimp & Snap Pea Stir-Fry

<http://www.rachaelraymag.com/recipe/shrimp--snap-pea-stir-fry/>

### Ingredients:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 2 tablespoons canola oil                       | 12 ounces large shrimp, peeled and deveined |
| 2 cloves garlic, thinly sliced                 | 2 tablespoons ponzu sauce                   |
| 2 cups sugar snap peas, trimmed                | 3 cups cooked long-grain white rice         |
| 1/2 cup canned sliced water chestnuts, drained |   |

### Directions:

In a large skillet or wok, heat 1 tbsp. oil over medium-high. Add the garlic and cook until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Add the sugar snap peas and water chestnuts; season and cook, stirring, until the peas are crisp-tender, about 2 minutes. Transfer to a medium bowl.

In the same skillet, heat the remaining 1 tbsp. oil over medium-high. Add the shrimp in a single layer. Cook, without stirring, until pink on the bottom, about 2 minutes. Turn the shrimp, add the ponzu and cook until the shrimp are cooked through, about 2 minutes. Stir in the vegetables; cook until heated through, about 2 minutes. Season and serve with the rice.



## FCC Information Service

Toll Free (WATS) for Amateur Radio license inquiries about new/vanity call signs: 888-225-5322. This will connect you the FCC National Call Center, handled by the FCC's Consumer Information Bureau. Amateurs having ULS problems or questions should contact the FCC's ULS Technical Support staff at: 202-414-1250 or:

**[ulscomm@fcc.gov](mailto:ulscomm@fcc.gov)**.

FCC Website:

**<http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/>**

New call sign information can also be obtained from the ARRL/VEC at 860-594-3000.

**<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec>**

The mailing address to the FCC is:

Federal Communications Commission, 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245